

URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 1534

AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA EXTENDING ORDINANCE NOS. 1532 AND 1533, TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS ON THE EVICTION OF TENANTS DUE TO NON-PAYMENT OF RENT BECAUSE OF COVID-19

Section 1. Findings and Purposes.

A. Urgency Ordinance No 1532, extended by Ordinance No. 1533, was adopted to mitigate economic hardship arising from the COVID-19 pandemic and will expire on July 31, 2020 unless extended by the City Council.

B. The COVID-19 emergency response remains in effect with many businesses closed or open on a limited basis only. Similarly, many residents remain unemployed, furloughed, or are working fewer hours.

C. The City Council desires to further extend the expiration date of Ordinance Nos. 1532 and 1533 to continue to provide economic relief during the COVID-19 emergency response.

Section 2. Ordinance Nos. 1532, 1533 extended.

All provisions of Ordinance Nos. 1532 and 1533 are hereby extended until September 30, 2020, unless further extended. For clarification and ease of reference, Ordinance Nos. 1532, 1533, and 1534 are collectively referred to as “this Urgency Ordinance” and all references to “this Urgency Ordinance” in Ordinance Nos. 1532 and 1533 shall be interpreted to include the provisions of Ordinance No. 1534.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid under law.

Section 4. CEQA. This Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, because it can be seen with certainty that the proposed code revisions are technical, minor, and/or have no possibility that they may have a significant effect on the environment.

Section 5. Effective Date of Ordinance. Based on the findings set out above and the need for the immediate preservation of public health and safety, this Urgency Ordinance shall have an early effective date pursuant to Government Code section 36937(b), and will take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Section 6. Termination Date of Ordinance. This Urgency Ordinance shall remain in effect until September 30, 2020, unless extended.

DATE: July 15, 2020

ATTEST:

/s/ Bridget Dory
City Clerk, City of Arcata

APPROVED:

/s/ Paul Pitino
Vice Mayor, City of Arcata

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 1534, passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Arcata, Humboldt County, California, held on the 15th day of July, 2020, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: WINKLER, PITINO, PEREIRA, WATSON

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTENTIONS: NONE

/s/ Bridget Dory
City Clerk, City of Arcata